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The Honorable Barack Obama  
President  
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Dear President Obama,

We were proud to vote for the "Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act" today and we want to thank you and the First Lady for your tireless efforts to reduce hunger and obesity in America. The First Lady has been a vocal leader in this effort and this historic legislation would not have passed without her leadership.

You are well aware of the concerns that we have regarding the offset to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) that is used to partially fund the bill. However, we voted for this important bill because of the personal assurances we received from you to work with us to identify other offsets that would not only restore the SNAP cut before it goes into effect in November 2013, but also increase access to school meal programs. While we continue to oppose further cuts to SNAP, we believe it is critical for the health and well-being of our nation's children to pass the "Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act."

We appreciate your personal commitment to restoring the SNAP cut currently included in the "Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act" and we look forward to working with you to accomplish this goal and to ensure eligible children are able to access school meal programs.

Sincerely,













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